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Dear Ms. Kant:

I write in response to your records request to the Office of the Governor, dated October 29<sup>th</sup> 2019, seeking “Any email communication between the office of the governor (including the office of lieutenant governor) and Sheriff Tompkins regarding the closure of South Bay Detention Center’s ICE contracts between June 2019 and October 2019.”<sup>1</sup>

We have received your correspondence and have concluded that we have no records responsive to your request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive ink that reads "Paige E. Ferreira".

Paige Ferreira  
Legal Assistant / Records Access Officer

<sup>1</sup> Please note that the Office of the Governor is not one of the instrumentalities enumerated in G.L. c. 4, §7, cl. 26, and therefore its records are not subject to disclosure under the public records law. The Supreme Judicial Court has so held. See Lambert v. Executive Director of the Judicial Nominating Council, 425 Mass. 406, 409 (1997). Notwithstanding Lambert, it is the voluntary practice of the Office to consider and to respond to public records requests on a case-by-case basis.